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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 22, 2001

APPLICATION OF

THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY
d/b/a ALLEGHENY POWER

CASE NO. PUE000280

For approval of functional
separation plan

and

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, ex rel.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. PUE000736

Ex Parte: THE POTOMAC EDISON
COMPANY d/b/a ALLEGHENY POWER-
REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ENTITIES

ORDER GRANTING MOTION

On May 30, 2001, The Potomac Edison Company, d/b/a Allegheny Power ("AP" or "Company") filed a motion with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission"), requesting that it be authorized to file portions of the data required by Rule 20 VAC 5-320-90 of the Regulations Governing Transfer of Transmission Assets to Regional Transmission Entities in an electronic format. According to the Company, the data it proposes to file in an electronic format consists of voluminous documents filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") and documents relating to AP's contracted relationship

with an existing regional transmission entity, the PJM Interconnection, LLC ("PJM").

Specifically, AP requests that it be permitted to file two paper copies to be filed in Case No. PUE000280 and PUE000736, respectively, and fifteen (15) copies of its filing in PDF format, or in an electronic format compatible with Microsoft Office 97, on separate compact discs or sets thereof clearly labeled as to content. AP represented that it would provide additional paper copies of its filing if so requested by the Staff or if directed by the Commission.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of AP's Motion and having been advised by its Staff, is of the opinion and finds that the Company's Motion should be granted. Rule 5 VAC 5-20-150 of our Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules") that took effect on June 1, 2001, contemplates that generally pleadings will be filed with our Clerk's Office in hard copy. However, Rule 5 VAC 5-20-140 permits the Commission, by order, to provide for the electronic filing of documents. Consequently, we will permit AP to file the pertinent PJM and FERC documents required by Rule 20 VAC 5-320-90 in two paper copies, to be filed in Case Nos. PUE000280 and PUE000736 respectively, and fifteen (15) copies of these documents in PDF format, or in an electronic format compatible with Microsoft Office 97, on separate compact discs or sets thereof, clearly labeled as to content. In

accordance with its representations, AP should provide additional paper copies of its filing if so requested by Staff or as we may direct by further order.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) AP's May 30, 2001 Motion is hereby granted.

(2) The Company may file in compliance with Rule 20 VAC 5-320-90 the necessary documents filed with FERC and documents relating to AP's contractual relationship with PJM in two paper copies, one to be filed in Case No. PUE000280 and the other to be filed in Case No. PUE000736, together with fifteen (15) copies of these documents in PDF format, or in an electronic format compatible with Microsoft Office 97, on separate compact discs or sets thereof clearly labeled as to content.

(3) In accordance with its representations, AP shall provide additional paper copies of this filing if requested by the Staff or as we may further direct.